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Dear Sir:

The last communication we received in the above-identified patent application was the corrected filing receipt dated May 18, 2005. Please let us know the current status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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